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SEN. SCOTT APPLAUDS GOVERNOR'S PROGRESS ON INSURANCE REFORM

Scott: "...a positive step toward fair and equitable rates for all"

LANSING – Sen. Martha G. Scott (D-Highland Park) today praised Governor Jennifer Granholm's announcement of a plan intended to lower insurance rates for Detroit and Flint residents with good driving records by 10 percent. Additional rate reductions are possible on an individual case basis. The partnership with Auto Owners Insurance Company and non-profit community groups in Detroit and Flint is directed at low-risk drivers and homeowners living in urban areas.

"I'm certainly heartened by the Governor's initiative," Sen. Scott said. "The Governor understands that affordable and reliable insurance is critical to families' financial security. This is a very positive step in obtaining fair and equitable rates for every Michigan driver."

The state offices of Community and Faith Based Services (CFBS) and Financial and Insurance Services (OFIS) along with the non-profit community groups Metro Group Quality of Life Improvement Association of Detroit and the Unification for Equality group in Flint considered four insurance companies before selecting Auto Owners Insurance Company to partner in the program. Auto Owners is one of Michigan's largest insurers. To date, some 5,000 people have filed surveys to determine their eligibility for the discount.

"They say it takes a village to raise a child," Scott said. "Sometimes it takes a village to shape public policy."

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Senator Martha G. Scott represents the 2nd Senate District, which includes areas of Detroit and the cities of Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park and all of the Grosse Pointes. She serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee.